The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is seeking input from providers related to the implementation of the new LTCH Quality Reporting Programs (QRP) established in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, also known as The Affordable Care Act, Section 3004. Therefore, Health Care Innovation Services, (HCIS), is seeking the voluntary assistance of providers to participate in a brief interview on behalf of CMS, to help us better understand the burdens imposed on providers, how providers ensure accuracy of data, how the QRP has impacted patient services and outcomes, and what CMS can do in the future to improve the program, and processes.

We believe that this process, and the information gathered, will provide valuable information for CMS as it continues to develop this program and is essential to guiding the development of the quality reporting program. We believe that a partnership will continue to facilitate an important process in which provider input is shared with CMS so that we are able to identify strengths, weaknesses, priorities, and how the program might be improved.

Interviews will be conducted over the telephone, and any reports, or supplemental documents, submitted to CMS will not link specific answers to any specific individuals/providers. If you are interested in participating, please contact Pat Hanson at <a href="mailto:phanson@hcareis.com">phanson@hcareis.com</a>.